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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:

Stephen A. Empedocles, et al.

Application No.: 09/882,193

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For: SINGLE TARGET COUNTING  
ASSAYS USING SEMICONDUCTOR  
NANOCRYSTALS

Customer No.: 20350

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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed February 10, 2003, please enter the following amendments and remarks:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 5 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 11 of this paper.